

## PROF. LAMONDA RESIGNS

**To Accept Position at Hamilton--  
Leaves Vacancy in Board of  
School Examiners.**

Prof. N. B. Lamonda, who has been principal of the Webster school building in this city for a number of years and who is at present one of the school examiners of Highland county, has accepted a position as teacher in the 8th grade of the Hamilton schools at a salary of \$1,000 per year. He is in line for the principalship which pays \$1,500 per year.

Mr. Lamonda is a good example of a self-made man and deserves a good deal of credit for the success he has achieved, thus far in educational circles. His work in the schools of this city has been fraught with splendid success and the patrons and pupils of the schools are loth to see him go, but are a unit in wishing he and his family prosperity and happiness in their new home.

His leaving will necessitate the appointment of another school examiner and it is understood that the lightning will strike some teacher who resides in the eastern part of the county. A new principal will also have to be chosen to fill the vacancy at the Webster building.

## PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION

**Organizes and Elects Officers for  
Purpose of Putting an End  
to Petty Thieving.**

A number of determined men of this city met at Ruble & Turner's furniture store Tuesday night and organized a Protective Association by the election of the following officers: President, Harry Richards, Vice President, Harry Lukemire, Secretary, Wade Turner, Treasurer, F. F. Stevens, Captain, W. W. Ruble.

Their rules and by-laws give them the same power as any other officer. Nearly all of the charter members have had chickens stolen within the past two months and in not a single instance has the thief been apprehended. To properly protect themselves and the rest of the community from their depredations, was the cause of the existence of such an organization.

The captain has the power to call on all members of the order when needed and they must respond to the call or forfeit their membership in the organization. The membership fee is only \$1 and entitles the person to all rights and protection which it affords.

There is no question at the present rate of signing, that within a short time a majority of the best citizens of Hillsboro will have become members of the organization. There is no doubt but that this organization will strike terror to all evil doers, as this determined band of officers will see that the law is enforced. The next meeting will be held at the same place next Tuesday night.

## Council Meeting.

Council met in regular session at the city building Monday night, all members being present except Gavey and Mayor Nesbit.

Van Miller, president of council, presided in the absence of the Mayor. The usual batch of bills was allowed, but no further business was transacted.

## Begins at Seven.

Thursday evening's open air concert will begin at 7 o'clock, so as to not conflict with the Chautauqua. The band returned home from the Washington C. H. Centennial Celebration last night after duplicating the success of last week at Mechanicsburg.

In addition to the private car "Florencia," built expressly for the John W. Vogel's Big City Minstrel's, and said to be the handsomest and costliest car ever constructed for a theatrical manager. The organization requires a special baggage car for the elaborate scenery, calcium and electrical effects which will be used in their performance at Bell's Opera House on Wednesday, August 10.

John W. Vogel's Big City Minstrel's is said to be the most conspicuous organization traveling, presenting a long and varied program, teeming with crisp bon-mots, witty flings and new magnetic features, up-to-date, up to demand, and up to every expectation, giving equally excellent enjoyment to everybody. This company of merry-makers will appear at Bell's Opera House on August 10, and as Manager Vogel has always given the minstrel-loving public a high class entertainment, the house should be packed.

## CHAUTAUQUA IS VERY GOOD

**The Third Annual Assembly  
Opens With High Class  
Attractions.**

## LECTURES ARE EXCELLENT

**Wendling's Address on "The Man  
of Gallilee" Monday Night  
Being a Masterpiece of  
Logic and Eloquence.**

Hillsboro's third annual Chautauqua opened under most favorable conditions Sunday afternoon.

So far the weather has been ideal and the attractions of a very high order.

The music for the Sunday afternoon entertainment was furnished by local talent, the best of Hillsboro's musicians having been secured for the occasion, the following taking part in the program: Misses Glenn, McNicol and Cook and Mrs. Roy and Stanley Rogers and Mrs. Pope.

Dr. Colley then introduced Hon. Thomas P. Byrnes, who delivered a masterly address on Wendel Phillips. He is an eloquent and impressive speaker and handled his theme very ably. He told of Phillips' great work for the cause of abolition and of his sacrifices to advance it.

In describing Phillips' personal appearance he said that his features were absolutely perfect and his physical proportions were the same as the Greek Apollo.

In the opinion of Mr. Byrnes he was America's greatest orator, placing him above Patrick Henry, Henry Clay, Daniel Webster and John C. Calhoun.

The sacred concert Sunday evening by the Hillsboro Military Band and the Ernest Gamble Concert Company was a treat to lovers of good music.

Monday afternoon the Ernest Gamble Concert Company duplicated their success of Sunday evening.

Monday night the Chautauqua Orchestra made its first appearance and were at once voted by the large audience as a high class musical attraction.

A rare treat was in store for the Chautauqua goes Monday evening when Hon. George R. Wendling delivered his address on "The Man of Gallilee."

It was a wonderful subject handled in a masterly manner. The entire audience listened with rapt attention and every one left with a fuller appreciation and clearer understanding of the "Master."

Mr. Wendling has an excellent stage presence and a marvelous command of language. His voice filled the large tent and his enunciation was so plain that not a word was missed.

It was the strongest and ablest argument, proving the divinity of Jesus Christ, that we have ever heard. No idea of its power and beauty and the eloquence of the speaker can be given in a newspaper account of it.

The concert Tuesday afternoon by Donald C. McGregor, assisted by Miss Galley, violinist and Bert E. Williams, pianist, was very good. Mr. McGregor has a beautiful and powerful baritone voice and his selections were very pleasing.

The Ralph W. Hull Company in their program of spectacular magical tricks, wonderful illusions and experiments in mental telepathy gave a very interesting program Tuesday night. A number of their tricks were new and the company is better than is usually seen outside of the few great men in this line of entertainment.

Dr. Andrew W. Harnly delivered his lecture "The Nation's Bulwark" Wednesday afternoon and added to the favorable impression that he made when here last year. Mr. Harnly is undoubtedly one of the leading platform orators of the country, an eloquent and forceful speaker.

## Death of Roland S. Chaplin.

Roland S. Chaplin, who resided near Hoagland's, died Sunday morning the result of a stroke of apoplexy. He was aged 62 years and highly respected by his friends and neighbors. The funeral was held Monday afternoon at the church near that place, Rev. Klise of this city officiating. The body was interred in the Duckwall cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bentley, of Willettsville, were the guests of Charles Moore and family Sunday. Mrs. Bentley will spend the week here and attend the Chautauqua.

## COMMITTS SUICIDE

**Miss Bessie Ruble, of Martinsville, Shoots Herself With  
A Revolver.**

Bessie Ruble, aged 18, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. W. K. Ruble, of Martinsville, committed suicide last Saturday afternoon by shooting herself through the heart with her father's revolver.

The particulars of the sad affair as related to a representative of the NEWS-HERALD are as follows: Miss Ruble, who has been in poor health for some, hitched the pony to the buggy Saturday afternoon and drove out to Mr. Turner's woods, about a mile from Martinsville, where selecting a secluded spot she shot herself. Mr. Turner, who lives close by, heard the shot and thinking that some one was shooting squirrels, he hurried to the woods and found the lifeless body of the young lady. He immediately spread the news and word was sent to her parents, but as they were away from home they did not learn the sad news until some little time afterward, when they removed the body to the home.

The coroner arrived at the home just as the parents came with the body. It is said that the young lady stated to a neighbor that morning that a certain undertaker be called in the event of her death.

The funeral services were held at the Christian Church at Martinsville Monday afternoon. Rev. Snider, of that village, preached the funeral sermon.

## BILLS ALLOWED

**To Whom Paid and For What  
Purpose the Money of the  
County is Expended.**

William Pope, salary janitor, \$40.  
Lew Leaverton, repair doors \$1.50.  
Silas Sparks, appraisal of real estate, \$203.

H. S. McClure, appraisal of real estate, \$84.

O. A. Landess, box rent, \$5.25.  
Charles Richards, appraisal of real estate, \$143.50.

O. R. Kearns, burial of J. McKinney, \$75.

Hillsboro Dispatch, supplies, \$27.

G. A. Pavey & Sons, burial of A. Pearce, \$75.

Hillsboro Light & Fuel Co., light, \$42.68.

News-Herald, supplies, \$2.

Frank Littler, appraisal real estate, \$206.50.

C. W. Fairley, livery hire, \$2.

J. B. Spencer, supplies for Court House, \$2.25.

James Ramesden, plumbing for Court House, \$3.50.

Osborne & Mignery, burial of G. W. Badgley, \$75.

J. W. Klise, state vs William Johnson, \$4.15.

Charles Shade, state vs William Johnson, \$9.15.

W. W. Ruble & Co., burial of S. Wright, \$75.

G. F. Hardy, fees as constable, \$4.10.

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Oscar Burnett, repairing bridge, \$6.25.

W. D. Gibson, repairing bridge, \$1.

Harry S. Pence, repairing bridge, \$2.50.

W. H. Hopkins, repairing bridge, \$7.00.

H. H. Hopkins, roofing bridge, \$142.

H. P. Chaney, bridge work, \$7.50.

W. T. Wardlow, bridge work, \$32.50.

Frank Zink, painting, \$12.

F. W. Coyner, lumber, \$4.97.

Good Roads Machine Co., sewer pipe, \$44.

John W. Covan, rolling and grading, \$178.19.

Frank Sharp, \$64.41.

H. E. Mullenix, repair work, \$102.04.

Ed Bean, running roller, \$125.80.

Ed Bean, Stone, \$193.12.

James Patton, running roller, \$681.21.

C. B. Fleming, 2nd estimate on stone, \$200.

Lloyd Elliott, road work, \$10.50.

David R. Limes, road work, \$2.25.

Jasper Walls, road work, \$2.50.

Mrs. S. C. Howard was re-employed last week for a term of two weeks as matron of the Children's Home. The Board certainly deserves to be complimented for the wisdom shown in their choice. Mrs. Howard has been in charge of the home for the past 11 years, and be it said to her credit that she is the right woman in the right place, ever looking after the welfare of the children.

Leslie Hoyt left Friday to assume his duties as chemist with the Proctor & Gamble Soap Co., of Cincinnati.

## JOHN P. FARIS IS KILLED

**And His Son, Bert, Seriously  
Injured in Auto Accident at Mantia, Ill.**

## RUNS INTO TRACTION CAR

**Mr. Faris Was a Former Resident  
of This County and Has Relatives Here--Graphic Account of Accident.**

The following account of the horrible death of John P. Faris, the serious injury of his son, Bert, and N. A. Mansfield, and the death of Mrs. Mansfield in an automobile accident last week at Mantia, Ill., is taken from the Decatur Herald. Mr. Faris and son have hundreds of relatives in this county, who will be grieved to learn of the sad accident.

They have been attending the Faris-Gossett reunion at Pricetown for several years and were making arrangements to attend this year. Bert Faris was recently married to Miss Mattie LaForge, of Blanchester. Only a partial report is copied from the Herald:

John P. Faris and Mrs. Katherine Mansfield are dead, Nelson A. Mansfield is dying and Bert Faris is severely injured as the result of a collision between the automobile belonging to Mr. Mansfield and an Illinois Traction Co. interurban car bound from Springfield to Decatur, at Niantic, at 8:05 o'clock yesterday morning. The interurban car was in charge of E. Mitchell, conductor, and O. F. Cochran, motorman. The latter is a son of Judge W. G. Cochran, of the circuit court.

The accident was the first automobile fatality in the history of Macon county.

The two injured men were rushed to St. Mary's hospital in this city on a relief car. News of Mr. Mansfield's death is hourly expected. Bert Faris escaped with a broken right leg and arm. He was married six weeks ago to Miss Mattie LaForge, of Blanchester, O. She is at her husband's bedside.

The senior Faris leaves a wife, but as she is in a critical condition in a sanatorium near St. Louis she will not be informed of her husband's death. Mr. and Mrs. Mansfield had no children. Mrs. Mansfield has a brother, James W. Dingman, of Twin Falls, Idaho, who has already started East. The funeral will await his arrival.

How the accident occurred is still a mystery. The car, a five passenger Moline, owned and driven by Mr. Mansfield, had just turned around in front of the Faris house where it had taken up the two members of the Faris family and was starting to cross the interurban tracks close by the house, when the car approaching at 30 miles an hour, struck the automobile which for some unexplained reason had come to a stand on the tracks.

Mrs. Bert Faris, standing on the veranda of the house, saw the car and cried out a warning. Her husband saw it, too, and was trying to open the door of the tonneau to effect his escape when the crash came. The machine was thrown two hundred feet and almost completely smashed to bits.

Bert Faris was picked up close to the crossing still conscious. A few yards beyond is a telegraph pole. The body of J. B. Faris had struck the pole. He had been instantly killed.

One hundred feet farther east, toward the Niantic station, is another pole. Near this, part of what had been the body of the machine, was piled, and from beneath it the body of Mr. Mansfield, unconscious, was dragged. Still farther along and in the ditch at the south side of the tracks the chassis had piled up, pinning Mrs. Mansfield beneath it.

All four were carried to the Faris home, where Mrs. Mansfield died inside of an hour, without a return to consciousness. Doctors Pope and Hall made thorough examinations, and did what they could for the two injured men until the relief train arrived. In the meantime part of the machine had taken fire, and even consumed. What was left was taken to the Mansfield garage by a crew of wreckers belonging to the traction company.

That something was wrong with the automobile seems to be the only solution to the accident of how the party chanced to be on the track at the critical moment. Both families were fully aware that the interurban was due at that moment, and before the automobile reached the track, the warning whistle is said to have been heard.

Mrs. Bert Faris, standing on the piazza as the car was being turned about to start north across the track, heard the whistle, and saw the car. She called to the party, but evidently the warning was not understood in time. There are only a few feet between the front gate of the Faris house where the machine started, and the traction company tracks so that there is no chance for a machine to acquire any momentum to speak of.

Just before the tracks are reached there is a sharp dip to climb which any autoist going at slow speed would probably drop into low speed. Beyond the dip are the tracks. It is a difficult place to cross properly, and inasmuch as Mr. Mansfield was starting for Decatur in order to have the machine repaired, the most likely solution of the tragedy is that the clutch failed to work properly, when the machine hit the tracks. On the other hand if Mr. Mansfield tried to make the crossing on the high speed he would almost certainly have "killed" his engine anyway.

It is certain that the impact was fearful. The rails for some distance on both sides of the crossing are shiny from the marks where the wheels slid. The telegraph pole several yards from the crossing, is cut and splintered, where the auto crashed against it. The next pole, one hundred feet beyond, also bears its scars.

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People at a distance, who saw the collision, assert that the auto crumbled into a "V" of wood and iron. It was not knocked into the air, but crushed along, smashed against the poles, and hurled into the ditch. The traction car was not damaged a great deal. The glass was not shattered, but the head light was twisted.

Mrs. Bert Faris, standing on the piazza, a wild-eyed witness of what she could not prevent, was the first to reach the scene. Bert Faris struggled to his feet, but fell again.

"Go to father," he cried.

The most ludicrous story of the accident was told by Torrence Mahan, lately employed on the Springfield Register, who is enroute for Louisville, Ky. He gave his testimony yesterday morning before a coroner's jury. He said: "I was in the smoker at the time of the accident. I heard the sudden tooting of the whistle and then there was an impact that threw me and J. D. Bratton, who was on the seat with me off our seat, and nearly drove us through the front glass."

"There was a sickening crash and then the car ground itself to a standstill. I sprang out with the others, knowing that something terrible had happened. Rushing back to the crossing I first came on Bert Faris, lying by the track. He was covered with blood and I saw that one of his legs was splintered. He was unconscious and cried: 'For God's sake go to my father.'"

"Looking down the track I saw the elder Mr. Faris wound round a telegraph pole. A glance showed me that he was dead. His body was horribly mangled and was covered with blood and gasoline."

"He must have died instantly and from the condition of the body I think the gasoline tank must have hit him. The telegraph pole had been jarred in its socket by the impact. Further along under a big piece of wreckage, was Mrs. Mansfield. She was writhing in agony. I called for help and we carried her into the nearest house where she died an hour later."

"For two hundred feet the roadbed was strewn with wreckage. It was all on the south side of the tracks, owing to the fact that the car had not been half way across when the interurban hit it. I never expect to see so terrible a sight again."

A blacksmith by the name of Jones, who was waiting at the station for the interurban, says that he saw the train and machine come together. He says:

"I do not think that it would have made any difference whether the auto was moving. It looked to me as if it reached the tracks just as the car came up. Even if Mr. Mansfield had been in control of the car, I do not believe there would have been time for him to have stopped and backed away and certainly there would not have been time for him to make the crossing."

News of the tragedy spread like wild fire. Both families are wealthy and prominent, owning large farms and urban property. Both have beautiful homes, have been prominent in the life of Niantic, and of the whole country.

Both families enjoyed the esseeem of hosts of friends and the town of Niantic is in mourning.

J. P. Faris had lived in Niantic for 50 years and knew everyone in that end of the county. He was born in Highland county, O., April 7, 1840. He moved to Illinois with his father, Dr. E. S. Faris, and in 1857 went to Niantic. For a time he clerked in a store, and then went into business for himself as a grain buyer. He increased his business and also acted as land commissioner for the Illinois Central Railroad Co.

Miss Elizabeth Walker, who attended summer school at Ypsilanti, Mich., returned home Saturday.

## COURT NEWS IS ALL HERE

**Lee Drake Given Five Years  
Sentence in Pen For  
Horse Stealing.**

## TWO NEW CASES FILED

**Inskeep and Cope Sent to Boys'  
Industrial School--Case of  
County Treasurer vs.  
L. G. Marconette.**

The case of W. M. Porter as Treasurer of Highland county vs. L. G. Marconette began Wednesday. This action arises out of a contest over a line fence. The trustees of Clay township had a survey of the line made but Mr. Marconette refused to construct his part of the fence. The trustees then had the fence built and the cost of the same was charged against the land of Mr. Marconette as taxes and the suit is for the purpose of collecting this amount. The case was still going on at the time of going to press.

Two new cases were filed during the past week.

R. S. Dunlap vs. Mattie Kelso is an appeal from a judgment secured before J. G. Kelso, a justice of the peace of Madison township. In the trial before the justice and a jury, the plaintiff secured a judgment of \$49.50 for medical services rendered the defendant and her deceased husband.

The Bash Fertilizer Company, a corporation under the laws of Indiana, have brought suit against M. F. Funk, of Mowrystown, for \$390, with interest from January 1, 1910, for fertilizer which it alleges it sold defendant on August 22, 1909, and for which it says it has not been paid.

Lee Drake, who was convicted of horse stealing week before last, was on Monday sentenced by Judge Newby to serve five years in the penitentiary.

Norman Inskeep and George Cope, of Greenfield, who pleaded guilty to assisting in burglarizing the pool room of Sulcebarger at Greenfield, were sentenced on Monday. The boys were under 16 years of age and were given indefinite sentences at the Boys' Industrial School at Lancaster. Sheriff McMullen will take the boys to the institution this morning.

In the case of Cornelius Roberts, against Edward Clinton Roberts, an imbecile et al, a decree was made, quieting the title of plaintiff to land in Whiteoak township.

A writ of partition was issued in the case of Mary K. Beatty vs. William Anderson et al. John Q. O'Dell, J. C. Caldwell and D. R. Cowman were appointed commissioners and W. M. Moon, surveyor.

An order of partition was granted in the case of Anna Pearl Rowe vs. James Orr Covan, et al. R. W. Coler, John Swift and S. B. Rees were appointed commissioners.

Oscar Grove secured a judgment against the Central Mutual Fire Insurance Association for \$366 for damages to his buildings by fire.

The motion for a new trial in the case of George H. Diehl vs. L. P. Druhot was overruled and judgment entered for the plaintiff for \$3012.95.

## Real Estate Transfers.

John W. Rowe to Pearl Grey, Greenfield lot, \$1.

James W. Reed to B. D. McVey, Greenfield lot, \$1.

Chas. L. Evans to John D. Roads et al, Washington township, 61 a., \$1.

H. C. Keefer to John W. Rowe, Greenfield lot, \$1.

W. H. Carey to Kate Morton Glenn, Hillsboro lot, \$210.

Sheriff Highland Co. to Wyatt Williams, Salem township, 40 a., \$1308.

T. T. Smith to Angeline Mitchell, Leesburg lot, \$1.

Ed. Q. West to Chas. H. Teter, Leesburg lot, \$1.

Glennie R. Suiter to Wm. Horn, Brushcreek township 3 1-2 a., \$400.

Wm. Snodgrass to Fred Fulkerson, Paint township, 4 a., \$500.

Sylvester Riley to Gaddis Henry, Madison township lot, \$1.

O. W. McCoppin to Samuel Dickey, Brushcreek township, 18 a., \$1.

Ell S. Roush to Alvin Shaffer, Dodson township, 107 a., \$1.

J. C. Cumberland to Ell S. Roush et al, Lynchburg lot, \$500.

Lewis Orebough to D. M. Menelev, Hillsboro lot, \$1.

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